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Applicants: Nicholas K. Hayward,
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For: A NOVEL GROWTH FACTOR AND A
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

AMENDMENT UNDER TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated April 17,
2000 and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.116
applicants respectfully request entry of the following
Amendment in the above-identified case.

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